UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

Presentment Date: November 4, 2014

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Objections Due: November 4, 2014

Time 11:00 a.m.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

SIPA Liquidation

(Substantively Consolidated)

ORDER GRANTING TRUSTEE'S APPLICATION TO RETAIN SPIZZ COHEN & SERCHUK, P.C. AS SPECIAL COUNSEL NUNC PRO TUNC AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2014

Upon the Application (the "Application") of Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee"), as Trustee for the substantively consolidated liquidation of the business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC, and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff, for authority to retain Spizz Cohen & Serchuk, P.C. ("SCS"), as special counsel as of October 1, 2014, and upon the declaration of Paul Richard Karan submitted in connection therewith; and his letters to the Court dated November 6 and 10, 2014; and due and proper notice having been given under the circumstances of this case, and after due deliberation,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application is GRANTED.[SMB: 11/12/14]
- 2. The Court finds that SCS is deemed disinterested under 15 U.S.C. § 78eee(b)(6)(B).

3. The Trustee is authorized to retain SCS as special counsel to the Trustee as provided in the Application, *nunc pro tunc*, as of October 1, 2014.

Dated: New York, New York November 12th, 2014

> /s/ STUART M. BERNSTEIN HONORABLE STUART M. BERNSTEIN UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE